MEMORANDUM

Y-570 10 October 1960

TO

Embassy Political Section

FROM

SUBJECT: Views of German Diplomatic Official on the Merten Case

A German diplomatic official stated to a usually reliable source on 7 October 1960 that the Greek Government had finally sent the Max Merten

file to the German Embassy a few days previously. The Embassy had been repeatedly asking for the file for a year. The German diplomat said that the file would be used in a German court action against Merten; he speculated that Merten might be sentenced to one or two years.

## Distribution:

1 - Embassy Political

1 - Chrono
1 - DCOS/Chrono
1 - (originator)
1 - C/IO
3 - Hqs (retained)
1 - C/XO
1 - Political Section
1 - XO/SAT
1 - ( )

Source: from
German Consul in Athens
Juergen Fritz Werner Ruhfus

DECLASSIFIED AND RELEASED BY CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY SOURCES METHODS EXEMPTION 3B2B NAZI WAR CRIMES DISCLOSURE ACT DATE 2001 2006

SECRET

REST AVAILABLE GOPY